



# *Proclamation*

In 1975, a small group of Christians from the Christians & Missionary Alliance Church in Zamboanga, Philippines, began meeting at a home in Kailua, Hawai'i. As the group began to grow, they started gathering at Keolu Elementary School, where Pastor Doug Grogan was called to serve as its first pastor. In 1976, the faith-based organization was formally incorporated and became known as Kailua Community Church (KCC), moving to the Kailua Seventh-Day Adventist Church site.

Land was purchased on Oneawa Street in Kailua town, and a donated building was moved to the site. This was the home of the KCC community until the May 23, 1982 groundbreaking ceremonies marked the beginning of a brand new sanctuary.

In 1984, Pastor Grogan left KCC to continue his ministry in Utah. He was succeeded by Pastor Keith Newsome, who brought a new vision to the church family with his young upbeat attitude and musical talents. Pastor Keith served as KCC's second pastor from February 1, 1985 until August 8, 1999, at which time he and his family moved on to the C&MA church in Palm Springs, California.

Before leaving his position, Pastor Keith invited his friend and fellow C&MA pastor, Perry Alexander, to be interim pastor until someone permanent could be installed. Pastor Perry was soon asked to become KCC's full time pastor. Since then, he has been instrumental in reaching out to the community by spearheading multi-church community festivals, prayer walks and fairs. These outreach events have brought many of our military and local families into the church 'ohana.

By spreading the message of "Aloha" and reaching out to the community to welcome newcomers, the mission of Kailua Community Church has been extremely successful. Through their respect and love for one another, members of KCC are able to shower their church family with warmth, kindness and compassion. This is especially important during these trying times when many of our military families are left alone as their loved ones are deployed overseas.

Among many of the church's projects has been their commitment to raising funds to help orphans with AIDS in Africa by partnering with Siita Nest Orphanage in Jinja, Uganda, "Living Hope" Christian School in Kampala, Uganda and St. Christopher's Christian School in Kisumu, Kenya. Their goal today is to find individual sponsors for these children.

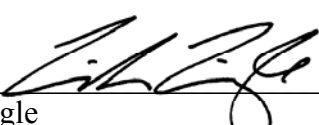
This year, Kailua Community Church celebrates 30 years of providing spiritual strength and support to its members and the community at large.

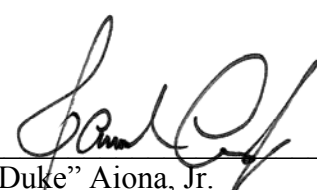
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE**, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **November 19, 2006**, as

## **KAILUA COMMUNITY CHURCH 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DAY**

in Hawai'i, and thank the congregation for their commitment and dedication to meeting the social and religious needs of their members and our community.

**Done** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this seventeenth day of November 2006.

  
Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i